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4-48 E. Cross St. (North side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

1850-1867

The pair of houses at 4-6 E. Cross St. was originally built as a pair of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs, but 4 E. Cross St. has been enlarged and is now three stories in height with a shed roof and bracketed cornice. 8 E. Cross St. is a small, two story, gable-roofed house typical of the type built on nearby Patapsco St. in the 1850's. 10 and 12-38 E. Cross St. are all three story, two bay wide, brick houses with gable roofs that serve a mixed commercial/residential purpose. The houses were built both just before and just after the Civil War by John S. Gittings and George Williamson, who each built alternating pairs of similar houses. 26-28 and 38 E. Cross St. have had their original gable roofs rebuilt as shed roofs and 38 E. Cross St. has a bracketed cornice. 46 E. Cross St. is a three story, two bay wide brick house with shed roof and bracketed cornice whose first floor area is currently being converted to a shopfront. 48 E. Cross St. is a two story, two bay wide, brick house with shed roof and bracketed cornice which has recently been converted to modern shopfront space.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

22-24 E. Cross St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☒ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE
Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This pair of three story, two bay brick houses with gable roofs was built in the 1860's and formed part of a group of such houses extending along this side of Cross St. Both houses have had their first floor areas converted into store-fronts.

The houses are three stories in height, 14 1/2' wide, and occupy lots 73' deep. Each house has a modern two story high, five bay deep rear addition that extends all the way back to the alley to the north. The houses are constructed in running bond. The low-pitched gable roofs have two-tier brick cornices. There is a paired double hooded chimney located along the partition wall between the two houses on both the front and rear roof gables. Each house also has a rear end chimney located at the north end of the rear addition.

The second floor window openings of 22 Cross have segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums; the third story windows have no lintels. At 24 Cross the second story window openings have common arch lintels with solid wood tympanums and the third story windows have molded wood lintels resembling a section of crown molding set over the window opening. All of the sills are brick header sills. All of the window openings except for the second floor window at 24 Cross are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. The second floor windows at 24 Cross are filled with 1/6 double hung sash. The first floor areas of both houses have been converted into a single store-front. 22 Cross currently serves as a storage area. A new double glass and aluminum door is located in the westernmost bay. At 24 Cross, which serves as the shop area, the entire first floor facade has been replaced by a set of four hinged glass and panel doors, which are pushed open during shop hours and pulled closed after hours. Both entrances are reached directly from the sidewalk. Each house has a large basement opening with metal cover located in the sidewalk beneath the original first floor windows (now gone). A flat-roofed alleyway runs back between the two houses.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD

☐ PREHISTORIC
☐ 1400-1499
☐ 1500-1599
☐ 1600-1699
☐ 1700-1799
☒ 1800-1899
☐ 1900-

☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
☐ AGRICULTURE
☒ ARCHITECTURE
☐ ART
☐ COMMERCE
☐ COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING
☐ CONSERVATION
☐ ECONOMICS
☐ EDUCATION
☐ ENGINEERING
☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
☐ INDUSTRY
☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
☐ LAW
☐ LITERATURE
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSIC
☐ PHILOSOPHY
☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION
☐ SCIENCE
☐ SCULPTURE
☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ THEATER
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES 1858-1868

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

John S. Gittings

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 14-16 E. Cross St.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 14'6" x 73' each

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles

DATE

5/79

STREET & NUMBER

1745 Circle Rd.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ruxton

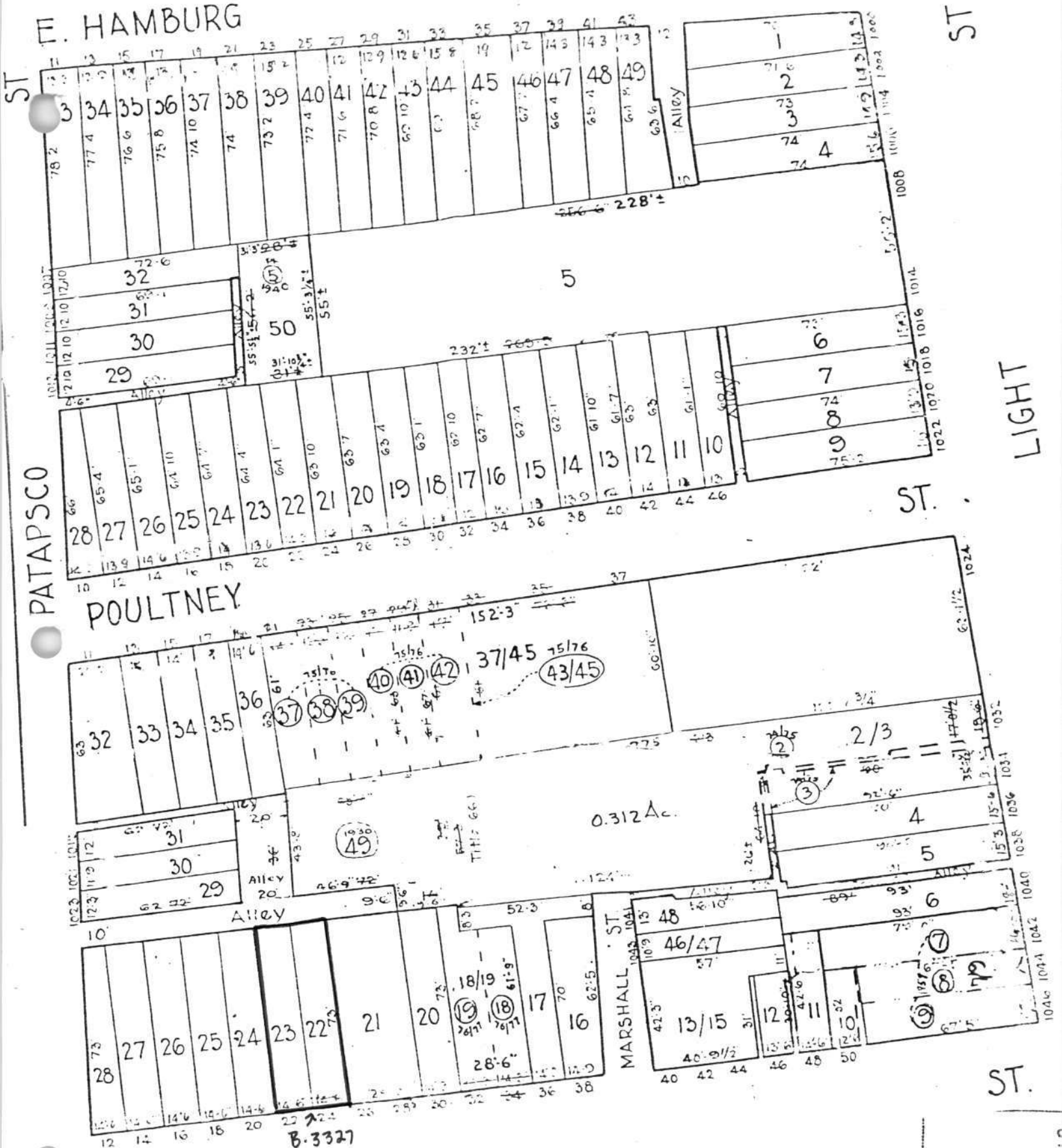
STATE

Maryland 21204

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B-3327
22-24 E. Cross Street
Block 0935A Lot 022
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.



A black and white photograph of a three-story white building with a brick chimney on the roof. The building has multiple windows, some with shutters. A large sign is mounted across the front of the building. To the left is a brick building, and to the right is a brick building with a small window with a metal grate. The foreground shows a sidewalk and a street.

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South elevation